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6:04 pm, 10/11/22

United States District Court  
For The District of Wyoming  
Joel M. Carson, United States 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Judge

Margaret Botkins  
Clerk of Court

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Johnna Galik, Deputy Clerk  
Megan Strawn, Court Reporter  
Christopher Lauderman and Rachel Willroth, Law Clerk

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October 11, 2022  
Casper, WY

Case No. 20-CV-80-JMC; Trial Lawyers College v Gerry Spences Trial Lawyers College at Thunderhead Ranch et al

Trial Lawyers College,

Plaintiff,

Plaintiff's Attorneys: Christopher Ralston, James  
Gilbert, Lindsay Calhoun, Pat Murphy,  
Matthew Slaughter

v.

Gerry Spences Trial Lawyers College at  
Thunderhead Ranch et al,

Defendant.

Defendant's Attorneys: Steven Velkei, Jim  
Fitzgerald, Beth Kushner, John Joyce, Khail  
Parris;

**COURTROOM MINUTES**  
**JURY TRIAL**

8:57am	Court called to order. Introductions of counsel and parties.
9:01am	Statements to Counsel regarding Status Conference.
9:02am	Comment by Mr. Velkei regarding Status Conference.
9:03am	Comments by Mr. Ralston regarding term of confidential settlement agreement;
9:04am	Court finds that terms of settlement will not be presented to the jury; Written order to follow; Court comments regarding Mr. Rowley. Court will take a long lunch to accommodate parties;
9:07am	Discussion regarding schedule of trial;
9:11am	Instructions by Court on how day will proceed. Plaintiff's and Spence defendants will have 40 minutes voir dire each and Mr Joyce will have 10 minutes;

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**COURTROOM MINUTE SHEET CONTINUED**

9:18am	Court stands in recess
9:38am	Court resumes in presence of the jury; Qualifying Oath issued to jurors; Jury Qualified;
9:42am	Petit Jury oath issued; case introduced by the Court; Court Voir Dire;
10:16am	Plaintiff voir dire by Pat Murphy;
10:50am	Court stands in recess;
11:04am	Court called to Order; Spence Defendant's voir dire by Khail Parris;
11:41am	John Joyce voir dire;
11:51am	Court invites voir dire counsel to hear issues at sidebar;
12:21pm	Court comments regarding jury selection; Jury is in recess until 2:45pm;
12:26pm	Court stands in recess;
12:36pm	Court is back on the record out of the presence of the jury.
12:37pm	Court/Counsel go through Jury Panel to select jurors to be excused for cause;
	Jurors 8, 9 and 14 challenged for cause. Juror 26 excused.
1:15pm	Counsel issues peremptory challenges;
	Jurors 4 and 10 challenged; Counsel signs off on PC sheet;
1:21pm	Court remarks about counterfeit trademark infringement brought up in 10/10/22 Status Conference. Court issues a ruling regarding the issue; Defendants' Motion to Dismiss Counterfeit Trademark Infringement claim is granted;
1:26pm	Court instructs counsel on openings – counsel is warned about bringing up issues that would have effects on prior rulings; Plaintiffs would like to preserve objection on the record; Counsel instructed to file a Motion for Reconsideration if they believe it needs to be reviewed; Defendant addresses state of mind issue in context.
1:32pm	Counsel instructed to keep walkway open for witnesses; Parties are to sit on bench by gallery.
1:34pm	Court stands in recess until 2:45pm.

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2:45pm Court called to order out of presence of the jury. Plaintiff's counsel has advised that they are close to a settlement. Counsel asked for the afternoon to be able to work out the details for settlement. Court grants the request and informs counsel what the jury admonishment will be and requests for jury;

2:51pm Jury brought in; Court comments to the jury; seated jurors called to jury box; Jurors that were not selected are released from service.

JURY EMPANELED - at 2:59pm.

3:00pm Instructions to the jury by the Court;

3:04pm Jury released to return at 8:45am;

3:05pm Court instructed counsel to proceed with settlement;

3:06pm Court stands in recess subject to call;

4:52pm Court called to order out of presence of jury; Parties inquired whether Court would consider withdrawn the contempt orders for Mr. Parris, Ms Hodjat and Mr Joyce; Court agreed that it would entertain withdrawing contempt orders;

4:54pm Court stands in recess;

5:38pm Court notified that counsel will continue negotiations and notify Court if settlement is reached via email; Court to resume at 10/12/22 at 8:30am.